

*To the Worthy Independent Freemen
of the City of OXFORD.*

GENTLEMEN,

HAVING had the Honour to be publickly nominated and approved of at a very full Council and Meeting of the Freemen, as a proper Person to represent you in the ensuing Parliament, I cannot help expressing my Surprize at hearing a fresh Nomination has been made, without my being acquainted therewith, that I might have an Opportunity of making my Appearance amongst you : But as I understand this pretended unanimous Nomination was proposed at a Meeting not known for that Purpose, *and that some false malicious Aspersions, calculated to answer private Views, have been industriously propagated*; I request the Favour of your VOTES and INTEREST, and make no doubt of your Support on the Day of Election, and of convincing you on my personal Canvass (which will be in a few Days) that all the Reports spread to prejudice me in your Opinion are entirely groundless, and that by wishing to represent the City of OXFORD, my Intentions are on every Occasion to support its Welfare and Independency.

I am, GENTLEMEN, Your Obliged

And obedient humble Servant,

OXFORD,
Feb. 23d, 1768.

WILLIAM CRAVEN.



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